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Mr. Ryan Mulvey
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RE: Freedom of Information Act Request EPA-HQ-2017-008310, Final Response

Dear Mr. Mulvey:

1. SUMMARY OF REQUEST

This letter is in response to your Freedom of Information Act (FOIA) request, identified above, dated June 12, 2017, requesting records pertaining to Dr. Francesca Grifo's possible communications with environmental groups and members of Congress. Interim responses have been provided prior to bullets 3, 4, 5 and 6 of your request. This response contains the records in response to bullet nos. 1 and 2 of your request and as such constitutes the final response to your request.

1. All records concerning the distribution of invitations to the Office of Scientific Integrity's June 2017 annual stakeholder meeting on scientific integrity, including any records reflecting a list of confirmed participants and declined invitations. The time period for this item of the request is May 1, 2017 to the present.
2. All correspondence (e.g., letters, e-mail, instant/text messages, etc.) created or received by Dr. Grifo on (a) November 8-9, 2016; (b) January 20, 2017; (c) January 30-February 3, 2017; and (d) March 21-22, 2017.

2. DISPOSITION

Partial Grant.

3. DESCRIPTION OF RECORDS

Nine-hundred ninety-two responsive records were found, ninety-nine of which have been partially redacted pursuant to 5 U.S.C. § 552(b)(4), (5), (6), and (7).

4. COST INFORMATION

There are no costs to you associated with this request.

5. FINAL APPEAL RIGHTS AND CONTACT INFORMATION

This letter concludes our response to your request. You may appeal this response by email at hq.foia@epa.gov, or by mail to the National Freedom of Information Office, U.S. EPA, 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue, N.W. (2822T), Washington, DC 20460. Only items mailed through the United States Postal Service may be delivered to 1200 Pennsylvania Avenue. If you are submitting your appeal by hand delivery, courier service, or overnight delivery, you must address your correspondence to 1301 Constitution Avenue, N.W., Room 6416J, Washington, DC 20001. Your appeal must be in writing, and it must be received no later than 90 calendar days from the date of this letter. The Agency will not consider appeals received after the 90-calendar-day limit. Appeals received after 5:00 pm EST will be considered received the next business day. The appeal letter should include the FOIA tracking number listed above. For quickest possible handling, the subject line of your email, the appeal letter, and its envelope, if applicable, should be marked "Freedom of Information Act Appeal." Additionally, you may seek dispute resolution services from EPA's FOIA Public Liaison at hq.foia@epa.gov or (202) 566-1667, or from the Office of Government Information Services (OGIS). You may contact OGIS in any of the following ways: by mail, Office of Government Information Services, National Archives and Records Administration, Room 2510, 8610 Adelphi Road, College Park, MD 20740-6001; email, ogis@nara.gov; telephone, (301) 837-1996 or (877) 684-6448; or fax, (301) 837-0348.

If you have any questions regarding this response, please contact Ms. Rebecca Clausen, ORD Deputy FOIA Officer, at clausen.rebecca@epa.gov.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Stefan Silzer', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Stefan Silzer
Director
Office of Program Accountability
and Resource Management